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Employment Review

April 1986

Nonagricultural Employment Increases

Nonagricultural wage and salary employment rose by 31,500 in April, reaching a total of 2,968,500. However, about 5,000 of this increase was attributed to workers in the transportation equipment manufacturing industry returning to work after a labor dispute the previous month. After subtracting this number the net gain of more than 26,000 is similar to last year's March-to-April increase. Total employment this April was almost 60,000 higher than one year earlier.

Total manufacturing employment rose by 2,600 jobs from March to April, but would have fallen by a similar number had it not been for the returning strikers. The 5,000 worker increase generated in transportation equipment by the returning strikers was by far the largest change in any manufacturing industry during the month, but left that industry still 3,200 jobs lower than one year ago. Total manufacturing employment for April was about 22,000 lower than one year ago. High technology manufacturing industries, which represent about 40 percent of total manufacturing employment in Massachusetts, lost 1,100 jobs from March to April and 8,100 jobs over the year. This 3.0 percent job loss for high technology manufacturing industries was slightly lower than the 3.5 percent loss for all other manufacturing industries during the year.

Among the nonmanufacturing industry divisions the largest monthly increases were in construction (+9,700), retail trade (+11,400) and services (+5,200). Each of these sectors normally experiences employment gains in April, but the construction increase was considerably higher this year than in either 1984 or 1985. Comparison with one year ago shows the largest numerical increases were in services (+30,300), retail trade (+18,700), finance, insurance and real estate (+11,800) and construction (+11,100). On a percentage basis the largest job gains over the year were in construction, which rose by 10.7 percent, and finance, insurance, and real estate, which advanced by 6.4 percent.

New Publication

The Economic Research and Analysis Department is pleased to announce its latest publication: Massachusetts Industrial Employment, Projected Changes 1984-1995.

This publication projects employment growth by industry in the state during this time period. Among its highlights:

o The Massachusetts economy is expected to generate almost 450,000 net new jobs between 1984 and 1995. The state's growth rate of 15.8 percent will be nearly identical to the projected national increase of 15.9 percent.

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NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE & SALARY EMPLOYMENT

MASSACHUSETTS

INDUSTRY	EMPLOYMENT			CHANGE			
				PRIOR MO.		YEAR AGO	
	APR 1986	MAR 1986	APR 1985	#	%	#	%
NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	2968.5	2937.0	2910.5	31.5	1.1	58.0	2.0
Manufacturing	644.1	641.5	666.2	2.6	0.4	-22.1	-3.3
Durable Goods	434.3	431.3	451.6	3.0	0.7	-17.3	-3.8
Lumber & Furniture	11.4	11.4	12.6	0.0	****	-1.2	-9.5
Stone,Clay & Glass	11.1	10.9	11.6	0.2	1.8	-0.5	-4.3
Primary Metals	16.1	16.0	16.0	0.1	0.6	0.1	0.6
Fabricated Metals	46.9	47.0	47.0	-0.1	-0.2	-0.1	-0.2
Cutlery,Hand tools,Hardware	9.7	9.6	9.4	0.1	1.0	0.3	3.2
Machinery, except electrical	109.4	110.0	114.9	-0.6	-0.5	-5.5	-4.8
Metalworking machinery	14.3	14.5	14.6	-0.2	-1.4	-0.3	-2.1
Special industry machinery	14.8	14.9	15.2	-0.1	-0.7	-0.4	-2.6
* Office Computing, & Accounting Machines	54.5	54.5	59.1	0.0	****	-4.6	-7.8
Electrical & Electronic machinery,equip.,etc.	127.6	128.5	129.2	-0.9	-0.7	-1.6	-1.2
Communications equipment	46.5	46.9	43.7	-0.4	-0.9	2.8	6.4
Electronic components	56.6	56.8	60.7	-0.2	-0.4	-4.1	-6.8
Transportation equipment	38.2 1/	33.2	41.4	5.0	15.1	-3.2	-7.7
Instruments	55.6	55.9	58.7	-0.3	-0.5	-3.1	-5.3
Measuring & Control devices	21.3	21.6	23.5	-0.3	-1.4	-2.2	-9.4
Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries	18.0	18.4	20.2	-0.4	-2.2	-2.2	-10.9
Jewelry	6.9	7.1	8.1	-0.2	-2.8	-1.2	-14.8
Nondurable Goods	209.8	210.2	214.6	-0.4	-0.2	-4.8	-2.2
Food & kindred products	23.0	23.1	23.0	-0.1	-0.4	0.0	****
Textile mill products	18.8	18.9	19.3	-0.1	-0.5	-0.5	-2.6
Apparel	31.2	30.8	32.9	0.4	1.3	-1.7	-5.2
Mens & Boys suits,coats & furnishings	7.6	7.4	8.4	0.2	2.7	-0.8	-9.5
Paper & allied products	25.6	25.6	25.9	0.0	****	-0.3	-1.2
Printing & Publishing	52.6	52.6	52.1	0.0	****	0.5	1.0
Chemicals	17.4	17.7	17.8	-0.3	-1.7	-0.4	-2.2
Rubber & miscellaneous Plastic products	28.3	28.4	29.2	-0.1	-0.4	-0.9	-3.1
Miscellaneous Plastic products	21.0	21.1	21.6	-0.1	-0.5	-0.6	-2.8
Leather & Leather products	11.4	11.8	12.9	-0.4	-3.4	-1.5	-11.6
Footwear, except rubber	6.1	6.4	6.9	-0.3	-4.7	-0.8	-11.6
Mining	1.4	1.2	1.3	0.2	16.7	0.1	7.7
Construction	114.4	104.7	103.3	9.7	9.3	11.1	10.7
Transportation, Communication & Public Utilities	127.5	126.7	124.6	0.8	0.6	2.9	2.3
Wholesale & Retail trade	690.2	678.1	666.6	12.1	1.8	23.6	3.5
Wholesale Trade	154.8	154.1	149.9	0.7	0.5	4.9	3.3
Retail Trade	535.4	524.0	516.7	11.4	2.2	18.7	3.6
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	195.2	193.9	183.4	1.3	0.7	11.8	6.4
Banking	60.7	60.4	55.9	0.3	0.5	4.8	8.6
Services	811.0	805.8	780.7	5.2	0.6	30.3	3.9
Health Services	239.0	239.2	236.2	-0.2	-0.1	2.8	1.2
Educational Services	118.2	120.5	116.6	-2.3	-1.9	1.6	1.4
Government	384.7	385.1	384.4	-0.4	-0.1	0.3	0.1
Federal	60.2	60.3	59.8	-0.1	-0.2	0.4	0.7
U.S. Postal Service	23.7	23.5	23.8	0.2	0.9	-0.1	-0.4
State	98.7	98.9	96.6	-0.2	-0.2	2.1	2.2
Educational services	30.0	30.2	28.5	-0.2	-0.7	1.5	5.3
Local	225.8	225.9	228.0	-0.1	****	-2.2	-1.0
Educational services	127.7	127.9	129.8	-0.2	-0.2	-2.1	-1.6
Other Local	98.1	98.0	98.2	0.1	0.1	-0.1	-0.1
* High Technology Manufacturing	262.3	263.3	270.4	-1.0	-0.4	-8.1	-3.0
* High Technology Nonmanufacturing	78.4	77.8	73.3	0.6	0.8	5.1	7.0

NOTE: By place of work, not comparable to labor force employment statistics

1/ Labor Dispute Over, 5,300

NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE & SALARY EMPLOYMENT

BOSTON PMSA

INDUSTRY	EMPLOYMENT			CHANGE			
				PRIOR MO.		YEAR AGO	
	APR 1986	MAR 1986	APR 1985	#	%	#	%
NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	1677.2	1663.3	1640.1	13.9	0.8	37.1	2.3
Manufacturing	310.5	306.7	320.9	3.8	1.2	-10.4	-3.2
Durable Goods	226.8	222.9	235.6	3.9	1.7	-8.8	-3.7
Primary Metals	3.5	3.6	3.7	-0.1	-2.8	-0.2	-5.4
Fabricated Metals	17.8	17.7	17.9	0.1	0.6	-0.1	-0.6
Machinery, except electrical	48.2	48.2	50.9	0.0	****	-2.7	-5.3
Electrical & Electronic machinery,equip.,etc.	79.2	79.5	78.9	-0.3	-0.4	0.3	0.4
Transportation equipment	24.6 1/	20.0	28.0	4.6	23.0	-3.4	-12.1
Instruments	42.4	42.6	44.2	-0.2	-0.5	-1.8	-4.1
Nondurable Goods	83.7	83.8	85.3	-0.1	-0.1	-1.6	-1.9
Food & kindred products	11.3	11.4	12.2	-0.1	-0.9	-0.9	-7.4
Textile mill products	3.0	3.0	3.0	0.0	****	0.0	****
Apparel	8.4	8.3	8.9	0.1	1.2	-0.5	-5.6
Paper & allied products	7.7	7.7	8.0	0.0	****	-0.3	-3.8
Printing & Publishing	32.9	32.8	32.1	0.1	0.3	0.8	2.5
Chemicals	8.6	8.6	8.4	0.0	****	0.2	2.4
Rubber & miscellaneous Plastic products	8.6	8.6	8.9	0.0	****	-0.3	-3.4
Leather & Leather products	2.7	2.8	3.0	-0.1	-3.6	-0.3	-10.0
Mining	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.0	****	0.1	16.7
Construction	60.2	55.5	54.5	4.7	8.5	5.7	10.5
Transportation, Communication & Public Utilities	75.8	74.7	73.8	1.1	1.5	2.0	2.7
Wholesale & Retail trade	372.1	368.9	360.6	3.2	0.9	11.5	3.2
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	133.5	133.1	125.8	0.4	0.3	7.7	6.1
Banking	38.9	38.7	36.2	0.2	0.5	2.7	7.5
Insurance	37.3	37.4	36.5	-0.1	-0.3	0.8	2.2
Services	528.7	527.6	509.9	1.1	0.2	18.8	3.7
Health Services	136.1	136.6	134.3	-0.5	-0.4	1.8	1.3
Educational Services	88.9	91.1	88.1	-2.2	-2.4	0.8	0.9
Government	195.7	196.1	194.0	-0.4	-0.2	1.7	0.9
Federal	36.6	36.8	37.4	-0.2	-0.5	-0.8	-2.1
U.S. Postal Service	13.4	13.3	13.6	0.1	0.8	-0.2	-1.5
Federal Hospitals	4.9	5.0	4.9	-0.1	-2.0	0.0	****
State	46.9	47.0	46.9	-0.1	-0.2	0.0	****
State Hospitals	4.8	4.8	4.6	0.0	****	0.2	4.3
Educational services	8.6	8.7	8.8	-0.1	-1.1	-0.2	-2.3
Local	112.2	112.3	109.7	-0.1	-0.1	2.5	2.3

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1/ Labor Dispute Over, 5,300

NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE & SALARY EMPLOYMENT

INDUSTRY	EMPLOYMENT			CHANGE			
				PRIOR MO.		YEAR AGO	
	APR 1986	MAR 1986	APR 1985	#	%	#	%
SPRINGFIELD MSA							
NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	228.4	225.2	225.3	3.2	1.4	3.1	1.4
Manufacturing	52.7	52.6	54.0	0.1	0.2	-1.3	-2.4
Durable Goods	27.2	27.1	28.0	0.1	0.4	-0.8	-2.9
Fabricated Metals	7.4	7.1	7.3	0.3	4.2	0.1	1.4
Machinery, except electrical	6.9	7.1	7.2	-0.2	-2.8	-0.3	-4.2
Nondurable Goods	25.5	25.5	26.0	0.0	****	-0.5	-1.9
Textile mill products	1.5	1.5	1.5	0.0	****	0.0	****
Apparel	1.3	1.2	1.4	0.1	8.3	-0.1	-7.1
Paper & allied products	7.3	7.4	7.5	-0.1	-1.4	-0.2	-2.7
Printing & Publishing	5.6	5.6	5.5	0.0	****	0.1	1.8
Mining	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	****	0.0	****
Construction	8.1	7.1	7.1	1.0	14.1	1.0	14.1
Transportation, Communication & Public Utilities	8.6	8.6	8.6	0.0	****	0.0	****
Wholesale & Retail trade	52.3	51.6	51.3	0.7	1.4	1.0	1.9
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	14.8	14.7	14.1	0.1	0.7	0.7	5.0
Services	54.4	53.4	53.0	1.0	1.9	1.4	2.6
Government	37.4	37.1	37.1	0.3	0.8	0.3	0.8
Federal	5.9	5.9	5.9	0.0	****	0.0	****
State	8.1	8.0	7.9	0.1	1.3	0.2	2.5
Local	23.4	23.2	23.3	0.2	0.9	0.1	0.4
WORCESTER MSA							
NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	186.8	185.1	181.7	1.7	0.9	5.1	2.8
Manufacturing	44.5	44.9	46.9	-0.4	-0.9	-2.4	-5.1
Durable Goods	30.1	30.5	32.0	-0.4	-1.3	-1.9	-5.9
Primary Metals	2.1	2.2	2.2	-0.1	-4.5	-0.1	-4.5
Fabricated Metals	8.5	8.5	8.7	0.0	****	-0.2	-2.3
Machinery, except electrical	9.6	9.8	10.4	-0.2	-2.0	-0.8	-7.7
Nondurable Goods	14.4	14.4	14.9	0.0	****	-0.5	-3.4
Textile mill products	2.9	2.9	3.3	0.0	****	-0.4	-12.1
Leather & Leather products	0.7	0.7	0.9	0.0	****	-0.2	-22.2
Mining	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	****	0.0	****
Construction	8.3	7.5	7.0	0.8	10.7	1.3	18.6
Transportation, Communication & Public Utilities	8.0	7.7	8.1	0.3	3.9	-0.1	-1.2
Wholesale & Retail trade	45.1	44.5	42.9	0.6	1.3	2.2	5.1
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	11.8	11.6	11.2	0.2	1.7	0.6	5.4
Services	44.9	44.9	42.7	0.0	****	2.2	5.2
Government	24.1	23.9	22.8	0.2	0.8	1.3	5.7

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NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE & SALARY EMPLOYMENT

INDUSTRY	EMPLOYMENT			CHANGE			
				PRIOR MO.		YEAR AGO	
	APR 1986	MAR 1986	APR 1985	#	%	#	%
BROCKTON PMSA							
NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	70.0	68.8	66.9	1.2	1.7	3.1	4.6
Manufacturing	11.3	11.2	11.8	0.1	0.9	-0.5	-4.2
Durable Goods	5.9	5.8	6.3	0.1	1.7	-0.4	-6.3
Electrical & Electronic machinery,equip.,etc.	1.5	1.5	1.6	0.0	****	-0.1	-6.3
Nondurable Goods	5.4	5.4	5.5	0.0	****	-0.1	-1.8
Construction	3.7	3.3	2.8	0.4	12.1	0.9	32.1
Transportation, Communication & Public Utilities	4.7	4.7	4.7	0.0	****	0.0	****
Wholesale & Retail trade	20.5	20.3	19.5	0.2	1.0	1.0	5.1
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	3.0	3.0	2.8	0.0	****	0.2	7.1
Services	15.1	14.6	14.1	0.5	3.4	1.0	7.1
Government	11.7	11.7	11.2	0.0	****	0.5	4.5
Federal	2.8	2.8	2.7	0.0	****	0.1	3.7
State	2.2	2.2	2.2	0.0	****	0.0	****
Local	6.7	6.7	6.3	0.0	****	0.4	6.3
LAWRENCE - HAVERHILL MASS. - N.H. PMSA							
NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	164.6	162.8	155.6	1.8	1.1	9.0	5.8
Manufacturing	55.7	56.1	55.6	-0.4	-0.7	0.1	0.2
Durable Goods	41.1	41.6	41.0	-0.5	-1.2	0.1	0.2
Nondurable Goods	14.6	14.5	14.6	0.1	0.7	0.0	****
Leather & Leather products	2.5	2.5	2.8	0.0	****	-0.3	-10.7
Construction	11.4	10.5	9.1	0.9	8.6	2.3	25.3
Transportation, Communication & Public Utilities	6.4	6.4	5.9	0.0	****	0.5	8.5
Wholesale & Retail trade	34.6	33.4	31.8	1.2	3.6	2.8	8.8
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	5.4	5.3	5.2	0.1	1.9	0.2	3.8
Services	31.4	31.2	29.3	0.2	0.6	2.1	7.2
Government	19.7	19.9	18.7	-0.2	-1.0	1.0	5.3

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NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE & SALARY EMPLOYMENT

INDUSTRY	EMPLOYMENT			CHANGE			
				PRIOR MO.		YEAR AGO	
	APR 1986	MAR 1986	APR 1985	#	%	#	%
FITCHBURG - LEOMINSTER MSA							
NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	40.4	39.8	39.4	0.6	1.5	1.0	2.5
Manufacturing	13.5	13.6	13.8	-0.1	-0.7	-0.3	-2.2
Durable Goods	6.0	6.1	6.1	-0.1	-1.6	-0.1	-1.6
Machinery, except electrical	3.6	3.7	3.7	-0.1	-2.7	-0.1	-2.7
Nondurable Goods	7.5	7.5	7.7	0.0	****	-0.2	-2.6
Rubber & miscellaneous Plastic products	3.7	3.7	3.6	0.0	****	0.1	2.8
Construction	2.2	2.0	1.9	0.2	10.0	0.3	15.8
Transportation, Communication & Public Utilities	1.7	1.6	1.6	0.1	6.3	0.1	6.3
Wholesale & Retail trade	9.5	9.3	9.0	0.2	2.2	0.5	5.6
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	1.5	1.5	1.4	0.0	****	0.1	7.1
Services	7.2	7.0	7.0	0.2	2.9	0.2	2.9
Government	4.8	4.8	4.7	0.0	****	0.1	2.1
LOWELL MASS. - N.H. PMSA							
NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	106.9	104.8	103.5	2.1	2.0	3.4	3.3
Manufacturing	38.9	38.7	40.6	0.2	0.5	-1.7	-4.2
Construction	4.7	4.3	3.9	0.4	9.3	0.8	20.5
Transportation, Communication & Public Utilities	3.9	3.9	3.6	0.0	****	0.3	8.3
Wholesale & Retail trade	24.1	23.2	21.8	0.9	3.9	2.3	10.6
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	3.8	3.7	3.4	0.1	2.7	0.4	11.8
Services	17.9	17.4	17.2	0.5	2.9	0.7	4.1
Government	13.5	13.5	12.9	0.0	****	0.6	4.7
SALEM - GLOUCESTER PMSA							
NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	106.9	105.2	103.4	1.7	1.6	3.5	3.4
Manufacturing	22.7	22.8	23.2	-0.1	-0.4	-0.5	-2.2
Durable Goods	15.9	15.8	16.1	0.1	0.6	-0.2	-1.2
Nondurable Goods	6.8	7.0	7.1	-0.2	-2.9	-0.3	-4.2
Construction	3.6	3.2	3.5	0.4	12.5	0.1	2.9
Transportation, Communication & Public Utilities	3.2	3.1	2.9	0.1	3.2	0.3	10.3
Wholesale & Retail trade	31.7	30.9	30.5	0.8	2.6	1.2	3.9
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	4.7	4.6	4.2	0.1	2.2	0.5	11.9
Services	25.6	25.0	23.8	0.6	2.4	1.8	7.6
Government	15.5	15.6	15.3	-0.1	-0.6	0.2	1.3

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NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE & SALARY EMPLOYMENT

INDUSTRY	EMPLOYMENT			CHANGE			
				PRIOR MO.		YEAR AGO	
	APR 1986	MAR 1986	APR 1985	#	%	#	%
PITTSFIELD MSA							
NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	40.7	39.6	39.6	1.1	2.8	1.1	2.8
Manufacturing	11.7	11.7	11.9	0.0	****	-0.2	-1.7
Machinery	7.9	7.9	8.1	0.0	****	-0.2	-2.5
Construction	1.7	1.3	1.5	0.4	30.8	0.2	13.3
Transportation, Communication & Public Utilities	1.1	1.0	1.0	0.1	10.0	0.1	10.0
Wholesale & Retail trade	10.9	10.4	10.0	0.5	4.8	0.9	9.0
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	2.1	2.1	2.0	0.0	****	0.1	5.0
Services	8.3	8.2	8.4	0.1	1.2	-0.1	-1.2
Government	4.8	4.8	4.7	0.0	****	0.1	2.1
NEW BEDFORD MSA							
NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	67.5	66.1	66.7	1.4	2.1	0.8	1.2
Manufacturing	22.7	23.0	23.7	-0.3	-1.3	-1.0	-4.2
Durable Goods	9.2	9.3	9.5	-0.1	-1.1	-0.3	-3.2
Primary & Fabricated Metals	3.1	3.0	3.1	0.1	3.3	0.0	****
Nondurable Goods	13.5	13.7	14.2	-0.2	-1.5	-0.7	-4.9
Apparel	6.7	6.7	7.3	0.0	****	-0.6	-8.2
Construction	2.2	1.9	2.2	0.3	15.8	0.0	****
Transportation, Communication & Public Utilities	2.5	2.5	2.6	0.0	****	-0.1	-3.8
Wholesale & Retail trade	15.8	15.1	14.9	0.7	4.6	0.9	6.0
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	2.9	2.7	2.4	0.2	7.4	0.5	20.8
Services	11.8	11.3	11.4	0.5	4.4	0.4	3.5
Government	9.6	9.6	9.5	0.0	****	0.1	1.1
FALL RIVER MASS. - R.I. PMSA							
NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	54.6	54.0	54.2	0.6	1.1	0.4	0.7
Manufacturing	18.5	18.4	18.8	0.1	0.5	-0.3	-1.6
Textile mill products	4.3	4.3	4.3	0.0	****	0.0	****
All other manufacturing	14.2	14.1	14.5	0.1	0.7	-0.3	-2.1
Construction	1.9	1.6	1.6	0.3	18.8	0.3	18.8
Transportation, Communication & Public Utilities	1.7	1.7	1.7	0.0	****	0.0	****
Wholesale & Retail trade	13.3	13.0	12.7	0.3	2.3	0.6	4.7
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	2.7	2.7	2.7	0.0	****	0.0	****
Services	10.0	10.0	10.0	0.0	****	0.0	****
Government	6.5	6.6	6.7	-0.1	-1.5	-0.2	-3.0

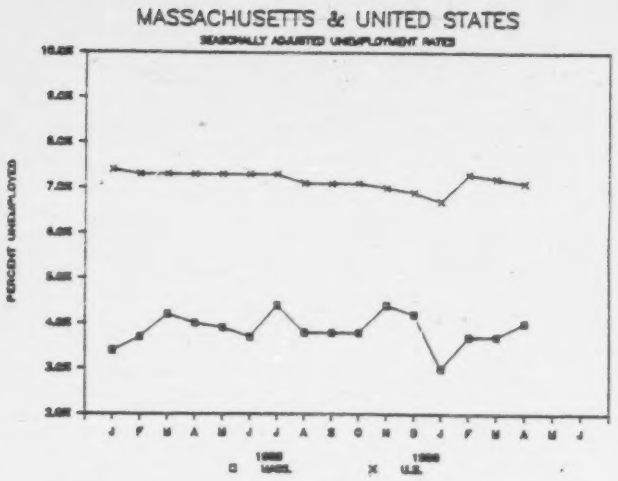
NOTE: By place of work, not comparable to labor force employment statistics

Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment
AVERAGE HOURS AND EARNINGS OF PRODUCTION WORKERS BY AREA
MANUFACTURING

AREA	AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	APR 1986	MAR 1986	APR 1985	APR 1986	MAR 1986	APR 1985
UNITED STATES	40.5	40.7	40.1	$9.70	$9.70	$9.48
MASSACHUSETTS	41.2	41.2	39.8	9.15	9.10	8.93
BOSTON	40.5	40.6	39.9	10.03	9.98	9.50
SPRINGFIELD	42.3	42.4	41.4	9.01	8.98	8.69
WORCESTER	40.1	39.8	40.5	9.37	9.35	8.93

Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment
AVERAGE HOURS AND EARNINGS OF PRODUCTION WORKERS BY INDUSTRY
MASSACHUSETTS

INDUSTRY	AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	APR 1986	MAR 1986	APR 1985	APR 1986	MAR 1986	APR 1985
MANUFACTURING	41.2	41.2	39.8	$9.15	$9.10	$8.93
DURABLE GOODS	41.7	41.8	40.8	9.62	9.59	9.35
LUMBER & FURNITURE	38.9	38.7	39.2	6.76	6.67	6.74
STONE, CLAY & GLASS	39.7	38.6	40.3	11.08	10.98	10.85
PRIMARY METALS	43.8	43.7	41.9	8.77	9.03	8.33
FABRICATED METALS	41.5	42.0	40.7	9.60	9.56	9.28
CUTLERY, HAND TOOLS, HARDWARE	42.2	43.5	42.9	10.80	10.75	10.19
MACHINERY, EXCEPT ELECTRICAL	42.5	42.8	41.5	10.24	10.22	9.69
METALWORKING MACHINERY	41.4	41.6	42.7	10.75	10.85	10.22
SPECIAL INDUSTRY MACHINERY	44.1	43.8	42.0	11.32	11.24	10.44
ELECTRICAL & ELECTRONIC MACH EQUIP	42.3	42.3	41.4	9.23	9.17	8.92
COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT	44.5	43.7	43.2	10.21	10.27	10.54
ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS	44.0	44.1	42.1	9.35	9.30	8.75
TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT	39.3	38.8	39.6	11.39	11.43	11.20
INSTRUMENTS	41.1	40.9	40.2	9.71	9.61	9.66
MEASURING & CONTROL DEVICES	42.8	42.6	40.6	7.82	7.85	7.61
MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURING IND.	41.4	41.8	39.0	8.33	8.37	7.97
JEWELRY	41.2	41.5	39.6	7.39	7.46	7.51
NONDURABLE GOODS	40.2	40.3	38.2	8.34	8.29	8.17
FOOD & KINDRED PRODUCTS	42.4	42.7	40.3	9.49	9.32	9.31
TEXTILE MILL PRODUCTS	41.7	41.4	41.4	7.84	7.82	7.66
APPAREL	39.1	38.6	32.9	6.01	5.97	6.11
MENS & BOYS SUITS, COATS & FURN	42.6	42.4	34.8	7.01	6.95	6.71
PAPER AND ALLIED PRODUCTS	42.9	43.2	41.9	9.19	9.12	8.94
PRINTING AND PUBLISHING	38.0	38.7	36.8	9.20	9.08	9.02
CHEMICALS	42.8	42.1	40.6	10.65	10.60	10.44
RUBBER & MISC. PLASTICS PRODUCTS	40.8	41.2	40.2	8.02	7.96	7.75
MISCELLANEOUS PLASTIC PRODUCTS	40.0	40.5	39.1	7.59	7.53	7.32
LEATHER & LEATHER PRODUCTS	34.5	35.0	36.1	6.80	6.78	6.38
FOOTWEAR, EXCEPT RUBBER	32.9	33.0	35.6	6.09	6.05	5.56


MASSACHUSETTS & UNITED STATES
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED UNEMPLOYMENT RATES
PERCENT UNEMPLOYED
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o More than half of all the new jobs will be in the service sector, with the largest increase being in the business service group, including computer and data processing services which will be the fastest growing industry.

o Manufacturing is projected to grow nearly 6 percent, but this modest growth rate will not sustain its current share of total employment.

o Wholesale and retail trade industries should maintain their current share of total employment by growing at rates of 16 percent and 18 percent respectively.

o Finance, insurance, and real estate are projected to grow about 16 percent during the period, quite similar to the 15.8 percent growth rate for total employment.

o Construction is projected to be one of the fastest growing sectors in the Massachusetts economy, while governments' employment share will decline slightly.

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Unemployment Rate Up

The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for Massachusetts rose to 4.0 percent in April, up slightly from the 3.7 percent registered in both February and March. Massachusetts has now had the lowest unemployment rate among the 11 largest industrial states for 26 consecutive months. The national unemployment rate remained much higher than the state's rate, although it declined by one-tenth of a point to 7.1 percent in April.

For an example of how much the state's economy has improved in recent years, one can look at the Massachusetts and national unemployment rates ten year ago. In April 1976 the state's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate stood at 10.1 percent, more than two-and-one-half times its April 1986 rate, and 2.4 percentage points higher than the United States rate at that time. By April of this year the state's unemployment rate had dropped 6.1 percentage points to 4.0 percent. and was 3.1 percentage points below the national rate. In April 1986 the national unemployment rate was only six-tenths of a percentage point below its level of ten years earlier.

Among the 11 major labor market areas in Massachusetts, the Boston PMSA at 3.3 percent had the lowest unemployment rate in April of this year, while the Fall River PMSA at 6.5 percent had the highest.

UNEMPLOYMENT RATES
UNITED STATES AND MASSACHUSETTS
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

(In Thousands)

	APRIL 1986	MARCH 1986	APRIL 1985
United States	7.1	7.2	7.3
Massachusetts	4.0	3.7	3.9
Labor Force	3058.0	3083.0	3066.0
Employed	2935.0	2969.0	2945.0
Unemployed	123.0	114.0	121.0

LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT
UNITED STATES, MASSACHUSETTS AND THE LABOR AREAS
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

(In Thousands)

AREA	CURRENT	PREVIOUS	YEAR AGO
	APR 1986	MAR 1986	APR 1985
UNITED STATES			
LABOR FORCE	116,316,000	118,033,000	114,700,000
EMPLOYMENT	108,201,000	109,366,000	106,175,000
UNEMPLOYMENT	8,115,000	8,667,000	8,525,000
PERCENT UNEMPLOYED	7.0	7.3	7.4
MASSACHUSETTS			
LABOR FORCE	3,035,600	3,049,300	3,038,500
EMPLOYMENT	2,919,300	2,918,200	2,925,900
UNEMPLOYMENT	116,300	131,100	112,600
PERCENT UNEMPLOYED	3.8	4.3	3.7
MAJOR LABOR AREAS			
BOSTON PMSA			
LABOR FORCE	1,508,420	1,524,140	1,506,650
EMPLOYMENT	1,459,170	1,470,450	1,458,920
UNEMPLOYMENT	49,250	53,700	47,730
PERCENT UNEMPLOYED	3.3	3.5	3.2
BROCKTON PMSA			
LABOR FORCE	94,080	93,950	93,860
EMPLOYMENT	90,130	89,650	90,080
UNEMPLOYMENT	3,950	4,300	3,780
PERCENT UNEMPLOYED	4.2	4.6	4.0
FALL RIVER PMSA			
LABOR FORCE	75,450	76,580	76,820
EMPLOYMENT	70,570	70,420	72,120
UNEMPLOYMENT	4,880	6,170	4,700
PERCENT UNEMPLOYED	6.5	8.1	6.1
FITCHBURG-LEOMINSTER MSA			
LABOR FORCE	47,680	48,370	46,930
EMPLOYMENT	45,650	46,090	44,990
UNEMPLOYMENT	2,030	2,280	1,940
PERCENT UNEMPLOYED	4.3	4.7	4.1
LAWRENCE-HAVERHILL PMSA			
LABOR FORCE	190,710	191,710	181,860
EMPLOYMENT	179,610	179,910	173,360
UNEMPLOYMENT	11,100	11,800	8,500
PERCENT UNEMPLOYED	5.8	6.2	4.7
LOWELL PMSA			
LABOR FORCE	149,790	149,550	151,460
EMPLOYMENT	144,220	143,320	146,200
UNEMPLOYMENT	5,570	6,230	5,260
PERCENT UNEMPLOYED	3.7	4.2	3.5
NEW BEDFORD MSA			
LABOR FORCE	85,620	86,120	88,100
EMPLOYMENT	80,280	79,450	82,580
UNEMPLOYMENT	5,340	6,670	5,520
PERCENT UNEMPLOYED	6.2	7.7	6.3

NOTE: By place of residence, not comparable to nonagricultural wage and salary employment.

LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT
UNITED STATES, MASSACHUSETTS AND THE LABOR AREAS
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

(In Thousands)

AREA	CURRENT	PREVIOUS	YEAR AGO
	APR 1986	MAR 1986	APR 1985
PITTSFIELD MSA			
LABOR FORCE	39,100	38,760	39,320
EMPLOYMENT	37,410	36,810	37,540
UNEMPLOYMENT	1,690	1,950	1,780
PERCENT UNEMPLOYED	4.3	5.0	4.5
SALEM-GLOUCESTER PMSA			
LABOR FORCE	146,200	144,760	145,620
EMPLOYMENT	140,670	138,780	140,430
UNEMPLOYMENT	5,530	5,980	5,190
PERCENT UNEMPLOYED	3.8	4.1	3.6
SPRINGFIELD MSA			
LABOR FORCE	244,070	244,180	247,800
EMPLOYMENT	233,690	232,700	237,430
UNEMPLOYMENT	10,380	11,480	10,360
PERCENT UNEMPLOYED	4.3	4.7	4.2
WORCESTER MSA			
LABOR FORCE	203,420	204,570	203,110
EMPLOYMENT	196,130	196,370	196,040
UNEMPLOYMENT	7,290	8,200	7,060
PERCENT UNEMPLOYED	3.6	4.0	3.5
OTHER LABOR AREAS			
AMHERST LMA			
LABOR FORCE	30,140	29,430	29,740
EMPLOYMENT	29,330	28,580	28,940
UNEMPLOYMENT	810	840	810
PERCENT UNEMPLOYED	2.7	2.9	2.7
ATHOL LMA			
LABOR FORCE	9,630	9,660	9,800
EMPLOYMENT	9,080	8,950	9,180
UNEMPLOYMENT	560	710	620
PERCENT UNEMPLOYED	5.8	7.4	6.3
ATTLEBORO LMA			
LABOR FORCE	46,860	47,620	46,550
EMPLOYMENT	44,280	44,570	44,310
UNEMPLOYMENT	2,570	3,050	2,250
PERCENT UNEMPLOYED	5.5	6.4	4.8
BARNSTABLE LMA			
LABOR FORCE	92,780	88,520	91,450
EMPLOYMENT	88,460	82,920	87,200
UNEMPLOYMENT	4,320	5,600	4,260
PERCENT UNEMPLOYED	4.7	6.3	4.7
DUKES COUNTY LMA			
LABOR FORCE	5,670	5,230	5,470
EMPLOYMENT	5,410	4,890	5,240
UNEMPLOYMENT	270	340	230
PERCENT UNEMPLOYED	4.7	6.6	4.3

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LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT
UNITED STATES, MASSACHUSETTS AND THE LABOR AREAS
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

(In Thousands)

AREA	CURRENT	PREVIOUS	YEAR AGO
	APR 1986	MAR 1986	APR 1985
GARDNER LMA			
LABOR FORCE	14,050	14,270	14,600
EMPLOYMENT	13,240	13,270	13,780
UNEMPLOYMENT	820	1,000	820
PERCENT UNEMPLOYED	5.8	7.0	5.6
GREAT BARRINGTON LMA			
LABOR FORCE	8,630	8,880	9,390
EMPLOYMENT	8,380	8,590	9,100
UNEMPLOYMENT	260	300	290
PERCENT UNEMPLOYED	3.0	3.4	3.1
GREENFIELD LMA			
LABOR FORCE	23,510	23,360	24,230
EMPLOYMENT	22,700	22,320	23,290
UNEMPLOYMENT	800	1,040	940
PERCENT UNEMPLOYED	3.4	4.4	3.9
NANTUCKET LMA			
LABOR FORCE	4,830	4,400	4,540
EMPLOYMENT	4,690	4,220	4,420
UNEMPLOYMENT	140	180	120
PERCENT UNEMPLOYED	2.8	4.0	2.7
NORTH ADAMS LMA			
LABOR FORCE	19,080	18,980	20,490
EMPLOYMENT	17,850	17,570	19,220
UNEMPLOYMENT	1,230	1,410	1,270
PERCENT UNEMPLOYED	6.5	7.4	6.2
SOUTHBRIDGE LMA			
LABOR FORCE	12,460	12,480	12,530
EMPLOYMENT	11,890	11,860	12,070
UNEMPLOYMENT	570	630	460
PERCENT UNEMPLOYED	4.6	5.0	3.7
TAUNTON LMA			
LABOR FORCE	25,710	26,010	26,050
EMPLOYMENT	24,160	24,200	24,580
UNEMPLOYMENT	1,550	1,820	1,470
PERCENT UNEMPLOYED	6.0	7.0	5.6
WARE LMA			
LABOR FORCE	7,710	7,600	8,800
EMPLOYMENT	7,380	7,230	8,460
UNEMPLOYMENT	330	380	340
PERCENT UNEMPLOYED	4.3	5.0	3.9
BALANCE of WESTERN MASS EA			
LABOR FORCE	7,310	7,300	7,580
EMPLOYMENT	7,020	6,970	7,300
UNEMPLOYMENT	290	320	280
PERCENT UNEMPLOYED	3.9	4.4	3.7

NOTE: By place of residence, not comparable to nonagricultural wage and salary employment.

LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT
MASSACHUSETTS CITIES AND TOWNS

APRIL 1986 PRELIMINARY ESTIMATES

City or Town Name	Labor Force	Employ-ment	Unemploy-ment	Rate
ABINGTON	7,300	7,057	243	3.3
ACTON	9,999	9,770	229	2.3
ACUSHNET	4,952	4,744	208	4.2
ADAMS	4,825	4,533	292	6.1
AGAWAM	13,440	13,058	382	2.8
ALFORD	220	214	6	2.7
AMESBURY	7,896	7,516	380	4.8
AMHERST	19,597	19,050	547	2.8
ANDOVER	15,250	14,812	438	2.9
ARLINGTON	27,967	27,330	637	2.3
ASHBURNHAM	2,085	1,992	93	4.5
ASHBY	1,130	1,076	54	4.8
ASHFIELD	772	744	28	3.6
ASHLAND	5,822	5,671	151	2.6
ATHOL	4,336	4,082	254	5.9
ATTLEBORO	18,267	17,273	994	5.4
AUBURN	8,135	7,963	172	2.1
AVON	2,921	2,815	106	3.6
AYER	3,605	3,425	180	5.0
BARNSTABLE	18,322	17,562	760	4.1
BARRE	1,997	1,954	43	2.2
BECKET	564	548	16	2.8
BEDFORD	6,959	6,816	143	2.1
BELCHERTOWN	4,101	3,872	229	5.6
BELLINGHAM	7,426	7,127	299	4.0
BELMONT	14,345	14,035	310	2.2
BERKLEY	1,308	1,232	76	5.8
BERLIN	1,239	1,211	28	2.3
BERNARDSTON	885	860	25	2.8
BEVERLY	21,955	21,172	783	3.6
BILLERICA	23,222	22,467	755	3.3
BLACKSTONE	3,151	2,976	175	5.6
BLANDFORD	483	463	20	4.1
BOLTON	1,382	1,354	28	2.0
BOSTON	289,832	277,033	12,799	4.4
BOURNE	7,014	6,768	246	3.5
BOXBOROUGH	2,022	2,009	13	0.6
BOXFORD	2,965	2,905	60	2.0
BOYLSTON	1,962	1,915	47	2.4
BRAINTREE	19,724	19,052	672	3.4
BREWSTER	2,715	2,630	85	3.1
BRIDGEWATER	8,616	8,272	344	4.0
BRIMFIELD	1,067	1,020	47	4.4
BROCKTON	47,956	45,551	2,405	5.0
BROOKFIELD	1,241	1,189	52	4.2
BROOKLINE	33,164	32,371	793	2.4
BUCKLAND	890	870	20	2.2
BURLINGTON	13,784	13,438	346	2.5
CAMBRIDGE	55,536	53,754	1,782	3.2
CANTON	9,949	9,687	262	2.6
CARLISLE	1,811	1,745	66	3.6
CARVER	3,052	2,893	159	5.2
CHARLEMONT	565	537	28	5.0
CHARLTON	3,292	3,139	153	4.6
CHATHAM	3,197	3,131	66	2.1
CHELMSFORD	20,275	19,708	567	2.8
CHELSEA	11,314	10,672	642	5.7
CHESHIRE	1,483	1,422	61	4.1
CHESTER	463	441	22	4.8
CHESTERFIELD	474	450	24	5.1
CHICOPEE	27,194	26,028	1,166	4.3
CHILMARK	314	307	7	2.2
CLARKSBURG	955	888	67	7.0
CLINTON	6,476	6,256	220	3.4
COHASSET	3,706	3,601	105	2.8
COLRAIN	723	713	10	1.4
CONCORD	8,858	8,711	147	1.7
CONWAY	644	629	15	2.3
CUMMINGTON	306	295	11	3.6
DALTON	3,212	3,103	109	3.4
DANVERS	13,974	13,555	419	3.0
DARTMOUTH	13,004	12,387	617	4.7
DEDHAM	14,051	13,666	385	2.7
DEERFIELD	2,503	2,413	90	3.6
DENNIS	6,596	6,380	216	3.3
DIGHTON	2,666	2,488	178	6.7
DOUGLAS	1,805	1,737	68	3.8
DOVER	2,327	2,286	41	1.8
DRACUT	14,129	13,638	491	3.5
DUDLEY	4,617	4,479	138	3.0
DUNSTABLE	1,062	1,030	32	3.0
DUXBURY	5,686	5,500	186	3.3
EAST BRIDGEWATER	5,194	4,974	220	4.2
EAST BROOKFIELD	947	915	32	3.4
EAST LONGMEADOW	6,261	5,982	279	4.5
EASTHAM	2,079	1,955	124	6.0
EASTHAMPTON	8,034	7,832	202	2.5
EASTON	9,153	8,949	204	2.2
EDGARTOWN	1,419	1,363	56	3.9
EGREMONT	789	767	22	2.8
ERVING	547	509	38	6.9
ESSEX	1,683	1,623	60	3.6
EVERETT	18,955	18,020	935	4.9
FAIRHAVEN	8,077	7,657	420	5.2
FALL RIVER	42,788	39,650	3,138	7.3
FALMOUTH	13,988	13,300	688	4.9
FITCHBURG	19,742	18,688	1,054	5.3
FLORIDA	358	331	27	7.5
FOXBOROUGH	7,728	7,500	228	3.0
FRAMINGHAM	38,858	37,984	874	2.2
FRANKLIN	9,206	8,867	339	3.7
FREETOWN	3,771	3,584	187	5.0
GARDNER	7,916	7,447	469	5.9
GAY HEAD	122	115	7	5.7
GEORGETOWN	3,301	3,204	97	2.9
GILL	670	647	23	3.4
GLOUCESTER	14,798	13,922	876	5.9
GOSHEN	327	322	5	1.5
GOSNOLD	39	39	0	0.0
GRAFTON	6,107	5,957	150	2.5
GRANBY	2,683	2,562	121	4.5
GRANVILLE	562	544	18	3.2
GREAT BARRINGTON	3,862	3,731	131	3.4
GREENFIELD	8,975	8,620	355	4.0
GROTON	3,305	3,245	60	1.8
GROVELAND	3,058	2,939	119	3.9
HADLEY	2,866	2,815	51	1.8
HALIFAX	2,536	2,437	99	3.9
HAMILTON	3,896	3,811	85	2.2
HAMPDEN	2,230	2,158	72	3.2
HANCOCK	337	310	27	8.0
HANOVER	5,829	5,680	149	2.6
HANSON	4,212	3,974	238	5.7
HARDWICK	891	854	37	4.2
HARVARD	3,112	3,057	55	1.8
HARWICH	4,724	4,435	289	6.1
HATFIELD	2,025	1,961	64	3.2
HAVERHILL	25,769	24,468	1,301	5.0
HAWLEY	132	127	5	3.8
HEATH	226	220	6	2.7
HINGHAM	10,350	9,980	370	3.6
HINSDALE	753	722	31	4.1
HOLBROOK	6,168	5,949	219	3.6
HOLDEN	7,000	6,811	189	2.7
HOLLAND	709	680	29	4.1
HOLLISTON	7,060	6,922	138	2.0
HOLYOKE	18,513	17,535	978	5.3
HOPEDALE	1,999	1,907	92	4.6
HOPKINTON	4,047	3,961	86	2.1
HUBBARDSTON	777	729	48	6.2
HUDSON	9,542	9,316	226	2.4
HULL	4,688	4,418	270	5.8
HUNTINGTON	838	793	45	5.4
IPSWICH	6,292	6,065	227	3.6
KINGSTON	3,722	3,603	119	3.2
LAKEVILLE	2,903	2,778	125	4.3
LANCASTER	3,212	3,126	86	2.7
LANESBOROUGH	1,510	1,434	76	5.0
LAWRENCE	32,556	30,598	1,958	6.0
LEE	2,888	2,763	125	4.3
LEICESTER	4,825	4,654	171	3.5
LENOX	3,142	3,031	111	3.5
LEOMINSTER	17,657	17,014	643	3.6
LEVERETT	1,021	998	23	2.3
LEXINGTON	16,865	16,501	364	2.2
LEYDEN	269	257	12	4.5
LINCOLN	3,173	3,094	79	2.5
LITTLETON	3,905	3,818	87	2.2
LONGMEADOW	7,531	7,302	229	3.0
LOWELL	55,889	53,409	2,480	4.4
LUDLOW	9,679	9,350	329	3.4
LUNENBURG	4,406	4,275	131	3.0
LYNN	38,686	37,283	1,403	3.6
LYNNFIELD	5,930	5,806	124	2.1

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APRIL 1986 PRELIMINARY ESTIMATES

City or Town Name	Labor Force	Employ-ment	Unemploy-ment	Rate
MALDEN	28,085	27,106	979	3.5
MANCHESTER	2,886	2,809	77	2.7
MANSFIELD	7,284	7,133	151	2.1
MARBLEHEAD	11,635	11,221	414	3.6
MARION	1,989	1,840	149	7.5
MARLBOROUGH	17,910	17,488	422	2.4
MARSHFIELD	10,898	10,508	390	3.6
MASHPEE	2,311	2,232	79	3.4
MATTAPOISETT	3,099	2,947	152	4.9
MAYNARD	5,437	5,264	173	3.2
MEDFIELD	5,241	5,137	104	2.0
MEDFORD	30,848	29,837	1,011	3.3
MEDWAY	4,506	4,394	112	2.5
MELROSE	16,146	15,690	456	2.8
MENDON	1,625	1,596	29	1.8
MERRIMAC	2,530	2,425	105	4.2
METHUEN	22,467	21,620	847	3.8
MIDDLEBOROUGH	7,679	7,235	444	5.8
MIDDLEFIELD	164	149	15	9.1
MIDDLETON	2,503	2,419	84	3.4
MILFORD	12,600	12,083	517	4.1
MILLBURY	6,034	5,754	280	4.6
MILLIS	3,711	3,615	96	2.6
MILLVILLE	823	768	55	6.7
MILTON	12,942	12,620	322	2.5
MONROE	75	70	5	6.7
MONSON	3,345	3,212	133	4.0
MONTAGUE	3,918	3,804	114	2.9
MONTEREY	486	476	10	2.1
MONTGOMERY	278	271	7	2.5
MOUNT WASHINGTON	66	65	1	1.5
NAHANT	2,140	2,093	47	2.2
NANTUCKET	4,829	4,694	135	2.8
NATICK	17,145	16,782	363	2.1
NEEDHAM	15,280	14,944	336	2.2
NEW ASHFORD	104	100	4	3.8
NEW BEDFORD	49,101	45,567	3,534	7.2
NEW BRAINTREE	290	282	8	2.8
NEW MARLBOROUGH	632	613	19	3.0
NEW SALEM	305	291	14	4.6
NEWBURY	2,614	2,461	153	5.9
NEWBURYPORT	9,432	9,039	393	4.2
NEWTON	47,825	46,711	1,114	2.3
NORFOLK	2,849	2,781	68	2.4
NORTH ADAMS	8,156	7,487	669	8.2
NORTH ANDOVER	11,542	11,189	353	3.1
NORTH ATTLEBOROUGH	11,162	10,596	566	5.1
NORTH BROOKFIELD	1,980	1,931	49	2.5
NORTH READING	6,494	6,325	169	2.6
NORTHAMPTON	14,413	13,890	523	3.6
NORTHBOROUGH	5,584	5,485	99	1.8
NORTHBRIDGE	6,170	5,935	235	3.8
NORTHFIELD	1,217	1,182	35	2.9
NORTON	6,907	6,624	283	4.1
NORWELL	4,692	4,603	89	1.9
NORWOOD	17,179	16,750	429	2.5
OAK BLUFFS	1,110	1,030	80	7.2
OAKHAM	410	391	19	4.6
ORANGE	2,604	2,463	141	5.4
ORLEANS	2,826	2,734	92	3.3
OTIS	413	396	17	4.1
OXFORD	5,848	5,564	284	4.9
PALMER	5,779	5,617	162	2.8
PAXTON	2,019	1,994	25	1.2
PEABODY	26,619	25,519	1,100	4.1
PELHAM	738	719	19	2.6
PEMBROKE	6,815	6,512	303	4.4
PEPPERELL	4,803	4,612	191	4.0
PERU	287	274	13	4.5
PETERSHAM	447	436	11	2.5
PHILLIPSTON	416	395	21	5.0
PITTSFIELD	24,100	22,964	1,136	4.7
PLAINFIELD	182	169	13	7.1
PLAINVILLE	3,096	2,935	161	5.2
PLYMOUTH	16,817	15,947	870	5.2
PLYMPTON	970	923	47	4.8
PRINCETON	1,327	1,302	25	1.9
PROVINCETOWN	2,544	2,201	343	13.5
QUINCY	46,612	45,103	1,509	3.2
RANDOLPH	15,826	15,328	498	3.1
RAYNHAM	4,820	4,669	151	3.1
READING	12,826	12,533	293	2.3
REHOBOTH	3,861	3,637	224	5.8
REVERE	21,969	20,901	1,068	4.9
RICHMOND	809	793	16	2.0
ROCHESTER	1,624	1,552	72	4.4
ROCKLAND	7,970	7,578	392	4.9
ROCKPORT	3,073	2,886	187	6.1
ROWE	150	141	9	6.0
ROWLEY	2,349	2,282	67	2.9
ROYALSTON	410	379	31	7.6
RUSSELL	729	706	23	3.2
RUTLAND	2,138	2,079	59	2.8
SALEM	21,631	20,799	832	3.8
SALISBURY	3,274	3,102	172	5.3
SANDISFIELD	339	329	10	2.9
SANDWICH	5,198	5,041	157	3.0
SAUGUS	13,576	13,196	380	2.8
SAVOY	288	257	31	10.8
SCITUATE	9,075	8,792	283	3.1
SEEKONK	6,495	6,099	396	6.1
SHARON	7,538	7,308	230	3.1
SHEFFIELD	1,541	1,501	40	2.6
SHELBURNE	893	869	24	2.7
SHERBORN	2,008	1,989	19	0.9
SHIRLEY	2,559	2,448	111	4.3
SHREWSBURY	12,313	11,968	345	2.8
SHUTESBURY	735	715	20	2.7
SOMERSET	9,947	9,410	537	5.4
SOMERVILLE	42,417	40,895	1,522	3.6
SOUTH HADLEY	8,583	8,295	288	3.4
SOUTHAMPTON	2,149	2,075	74	3.4
SOUTHBOROUGH	3,429	3,350	79	2.3
SOUTHBRIDGE	7,358	7,068	290	3.9
SOUTHWICK	3,732	3,584	148	4.0
SPENCER	5,283	5,111	172	3.3
SPRINGFIELD	67,003	63,375	3,628	5.4
STERLING	2,827	2,776	51	1.8
STOCKBRIDGE	1,205	1,179	26	2.2
STONEHAM	11,848	11,587	261	2.2
STOUGHTON	14,545	13,997	548	3.8
STOW	2,887	2,835	52	1.8
STURBRIDGE	2,819	2,658	161	5.7
SUDBURY	7,386	7,226	160	2.2
SUNDERLAND	2,230	2,174	56	2.5
SUTTON	2,877	2,748	129	4.5
SWAMPSCOTT	7,748	7,534	214	2.8
SWANSEA	7,855	7,453	402	5.1
TAUNTON	21,732	20,438	1,294	6.0
TEMPLETON	2,484	2,363	121	4.9
TEWKSBURY	15,432	14,921	511	3.3
TISBURY	1,971	1,865	106	5.4
TOLLAND	120	111	9	7.5
TOPSFIELD	3,035	2,970	65	2.1
TOWNSEND	3,668	3,580	88	2.4
TRURO	797	703	94	11.8
TYNGSBOROUGH	3,769	3,669	100	2.7
TYRINGHAM	192	188	4	2.1
UPTON	2,069	2,024	45	2.2
UXBRIDGE	4,252	4,030	222	5.2
WAKEFIELD	13,883	13,447	436	3.1
WALES	501	459	42	8.4
WALPOLE	10,038	9,778	260	2.6
WALTHAM	33,527	32,699	828	2.5
WARE	3,553	3,370	183	5.2
WAREHAM	9,718	9,064	654	6.7
WARREN	1,385	1,337	48	3.5
WARWICK	228	216	12	5.3
WASHINGTON	270	254	16	5.9
WATERTOWN	20,584	20,089	495	2.4
WAYLAND	6,843	6,716	127	1.9
WEBSTER	7,021	6,692	329	4.7
WELLESLEY	14,190	13,843	347	2.4
WELLFLEET	1,188	1,106	82	6.9
WENDELL	342	305	37	10.8
WENHAM	2,121	2,078	43	2.0
WEST BOYLSTON	3,263	3,176	87	2.7
WEST BRIDGEWATER	3,304	3,172	132	4.0

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WHITMAN	7,099	6,901	198	2.8
WILBRAHAM	6,012	5,814	198	3.3
WILLIAMSBURG	1,180	1,131	49	4.2
WILLIAMSTOWN	4,057	3,941	116	2.9
WILMINGTON	9,221	8,921	300	3.3
WINCHENDON	2,874	2,697	177	6.2
WINCHESTER	11,003	10,785	218	2.0
WINDSOR	288	281	7	2.4
WINTHROP	10,941	10,578	363	3.3
WOBURN	21,140	20,698	442	2.1
WORCESTER	78,371	75,106	3,265	4.2
WORTHINGTON	442	426	16	3.6
WRENTHAM	3,379	3,273	106	3.1
YARMOUTH	9,562	9,216	346	3.6
WEST BROOKFIELD	1,181	1,144	37	3.1
WEST NEWBURY	1,623	1,529	94	5.8
WEST SPRINGFIELD	14,182	13,771	411	2.9
WEST STOCKBRIDGE	699	683	16	2.3
WEST TISBURY	695	686	9	1.3
WESTBOROUGH	7,709	7,512	197	2.6
WESTFIELD	17,364	16,610	754	4.3
WESTFORD	8,407	8,192	215	2.6
WESTHAMPTON	588	578	10	1.7
WESTMINSTER	2,660	2,603	57	2.1
WESTON	5,818	5,767	51	0.9
WESTPORT	6,811	6,356	455	6.7
WESTWOOD	7,123	7,005	118	1.7
WEYMOUTH	30,657	29,586	1,071	3.5
WHATELY	927	899	28	3.0

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UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE CLAIMS[1]
MASSACHUSETTS AND THE LABOR AREAS

NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

MASSACHUSETTS AND THE LABOR AREAS	INITIAL CLAIMS			CONTINUED CLAIMS[2]		
	APR 86	MAR 86	APR 85	APR 86	MAR 86	APR 85
MASSACHUSETTS	5,129	6,474	9,699	61,606	73,699	61,077
MAJOR LABOR AREAS						
BOSTON PMSA	1,733	2,247	3,431	25,405	29,648	24,392
BROCKTON PMSA	163	198	370	2,081	2,386	1,835
FALL RIVER PMSA[3]	553	566	811	3,736	5,049	3,901
FITCHBURG-LEOMINSTER MSA	100	118	157	1,202	1,405	1,165
LAWRENCE-HAVERHILL PMSA[4]	402	468	485	3,867	4,637	3,507
LOWELL PMSA[4]	188	244	485	2,732	3,187	2,416
NEW BEDFORD MSA	416	788	978	3,535	4,755	3,933
PITTSFIELD MSA	69	87	158	1,014	1,287	1,029
SPRINFIELD MSA	341	383	484	2,952	3,441	2,826
SALEM-GLOUCESTER PMSA	488	502	846	5,743	6,901	6,122
WORCESTER MSA	380	474	653	3,797	4,679	3,797
OTHER LABOR AREAS						
AMHERST LMA	15	16	25	168	219	189
ATHOL LMA	16	30	46	288	429	377
BARNSTABLE COUNTY LMA	89	152	208	2,451	3,766	2,507
BALANCE OF WESTERN MA EA	9	10	17	114	145	121
DUKES COUNTY LMA	5	8	11	149	230	144
GARDNER LMA	25	49	75	502	687	532
GREAT BARRINGTON LMA	9	11	21	133	170	139
GREENFIELD LMA	24	51	63	388	596	555
NANTUCKET LMA	3	4	6	81	126	78
NORTH ADAMS LMA	36	70	114	715	881	861
SOUTHBRIDGE LMA	48	37	55	269	353	270
TAUNTON LMA	149	169	228	900	1,197	963
WARE LMA	17	17	26	183	234	200

1 - Week that includes the 12th
2 - Includes regular compensation not extended compensation
3 - Includes Rhode Island residents of PMSA
4 - Includes New Hampshire residents of PMSA

EXPLANATION OF TERMS

Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment. Includes all workers who worked full or part-time or who received vacation pay, holiday pay or sick leave pay directly from the employer for the pay period which includes the 12th of the month. Excluded are workers in most agricultural industries as well as those in forestry, fisheries and international government. Also excluded are self-employed workers, unpaid family workers and domestics in private households.

Benchmark. A reasonably complete count of employment at a specified period of time, usually the first quarter of the year. The principal sources of benchmark data for the CES Program are tabulations of employment reported by establishments covered by the Massachusetts Employment Security Law and by Federal government agencies covered by Federal U.I. Law. These principal sources are supplemented for those nonagricultural jobs not covered by U.I. (e.g., religious, students employed by the institution attended).

Establishment. An establishment is an economic unit which produces goods or services, generally at a single physical location, and is engaged in only one type of activity.

Labor Force. The sum of the employed and unemployed living in the area (total employment plus total unemployment).

Total Employment. The count of persons, living in the area, who did any work at all, in any area, for pay or profit during the week of the month including the 12th or who had a job from which they were temporarily absent because of illness, vacation, labor dispute or other reasons which does not reflect a shortage of work.

Total Unemployment. The count of persons, living in the area, who did no work at all, in any area, during the week of the month including the 12th, but who were looking for work or awaiting recall from layoff or beginning a new job within the next 30 days.

Unemployment Rate. Unemployment expressed as a percent of the labor force.

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